

Should I wash my car at home
Or at the car wash?
That is the question!



Using a commercial car wash is always the best choice;

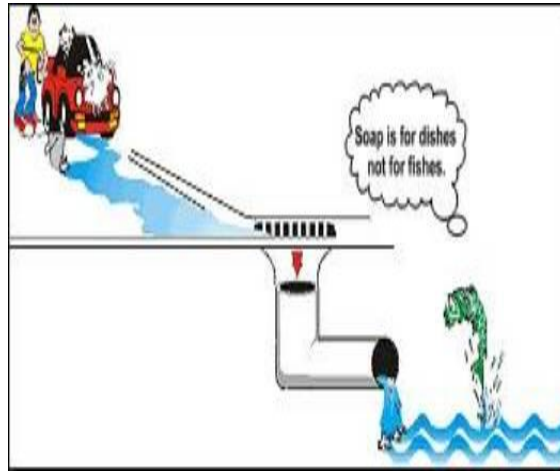
- ◆ Uses less water
- ◆ Rinse water at facility is filtered and reused
- ◆ Dirty water and soap after use is send to treatment plant



Negative Facts of washing it at home;

- ◆ Detergents, oils and other pollutants flow into storm drains
polluting the Colorado River
- ◆ Pollutes groundwater
- ◆ Soap and water residues can kill or harm fish and other
aquatic life
- ◆ Results in more chemicals in our drinking water
- ◆ Waterways become unsafe for swimming, drinking
and fishing

Soap is for dishes not for fishes.



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**Pollution
Prevention and
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Recycle Car Tires



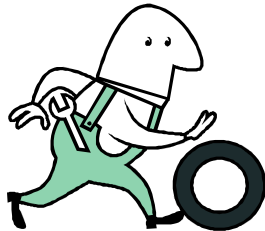
Tire fires can result in air pollution, and runoff that can contaminate the soil, and the groundwater.

Tire fires can produce thick smoke that contain air pollutants harmful to our health like; polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), benzene, phenols, and butadiene and harmful contaminants such as lead and arsenic .



There are lots of innovative ways to recycle tires!

There are currently at least 110 new products that contain recyclable tire rubber. The fastest growing markets are playground cover, soil additives, flooring/matting, and landfill construction material. Rubberized asphalt also uses a large number of scrap tires each year, the material is used for highway construction



- ♦ Did you know that one quart of oil can pollute up to one mile of water ?
- ♦ Do not spill any oil on the ground
- ♦ Put your used motor oil in a clean plastic container with a tight lid
- ♦ Never store used oil in a container that once held chemicals, food, or beverages
- ♦ Do not mix the oil with anything else, such as antifreeze, solvent, or paint
- ♦ Take used motor oil to a service station or other location that collects the oil for recycling



Car Inspections and Maintenance

Have your car serviced regularly, and your car will generate less air pollution, save gas and last longer.



What can I do to get better gas mileage ?



- ♦ Walk, bike, use the bus or Car Pool
- ♦ Combine errands into one trip
- ♦ Go easy on the brakes and gas pedal
- ♦ Avoid long idles at drive-up windows, park the car and go in
- ♦ Avoid carrying unneeded items in the roof and the trunk
- ♦ Avoid high speeds, drive at 55 mph rather than 65 mph and you will improve 15 % your car gas mileage
- ♦ Keep tires properly inflated and aligned

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